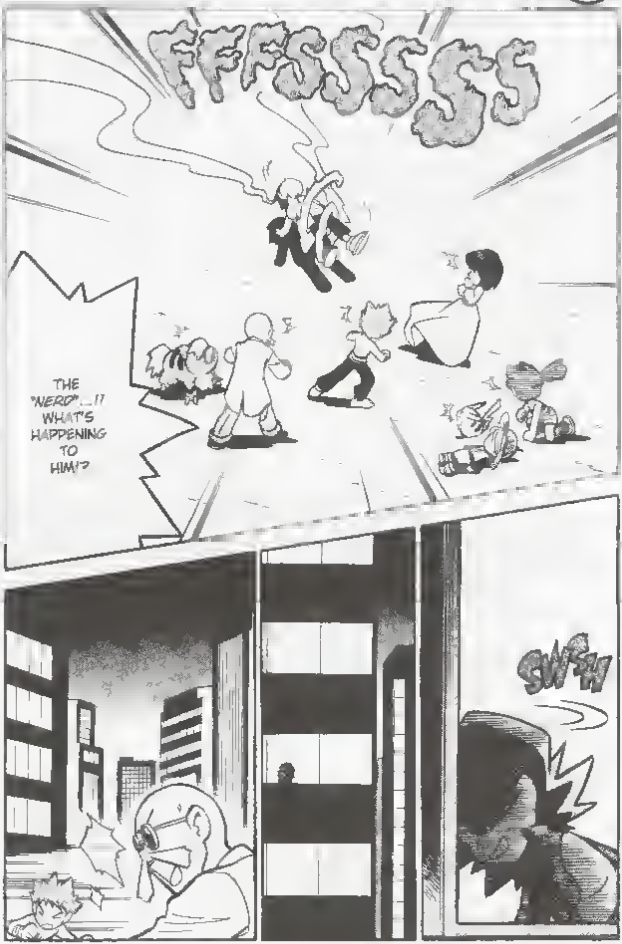
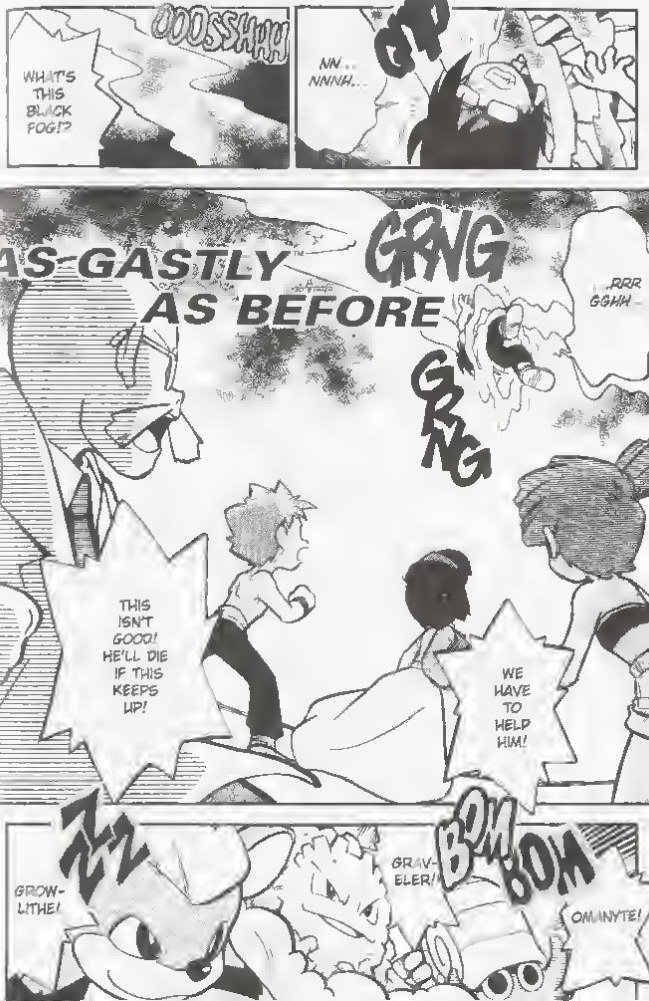
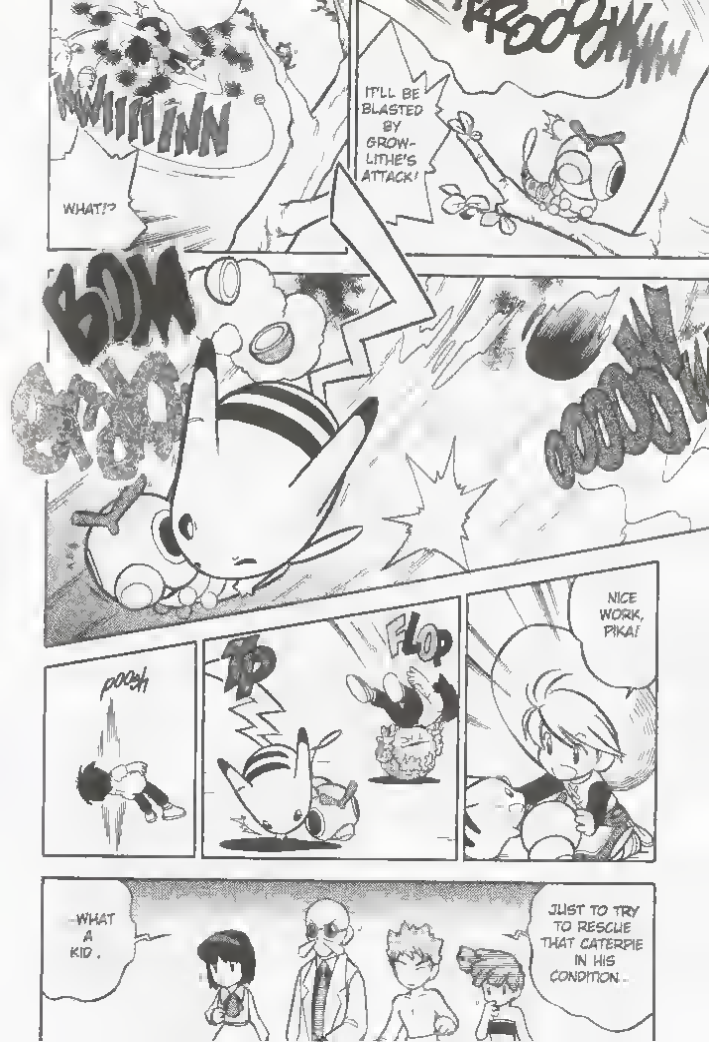

FFSSSSS
THE "NERD"...!? WHAT'S HAPPENING TO HIM!?
SWISH

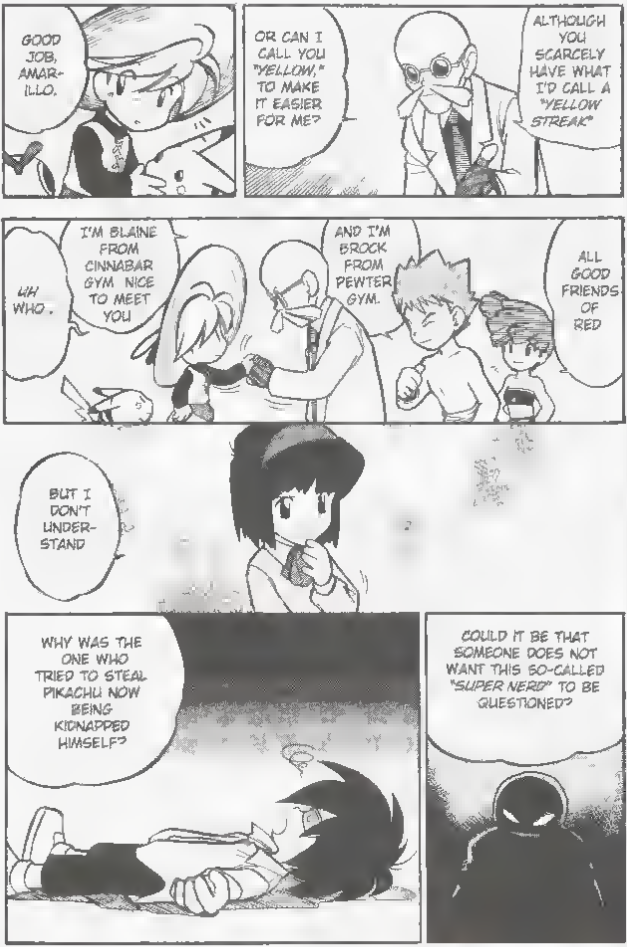

WHAT'S THIS BLACK FOG!?
OOOSHHH
NN.. NNNH...
GIP
AS-GASTLY AS BEFORE
GRNG
GRNG
...RRR GGHH...
THIS ISN'T GOOD! HE'LL DIE IF THIS KEEPS UP!
WE HAVE TO HELP HIM!
ZZZ
GROW-LITHE!
GRAV-ELER!
BOM BOM
OMANYTE!

UHH
WHAT'S HAPPENING IS...WELL, SEE FOR YOURSELF
WHO ARE YOU? WHAT'S HAPPENING?
GOOD, YOU'RE AWAKE MY NAME IS MISTY
I'M A FRIEND OF RED'S
SOMEONE'S TRYING TO STEAL AWAY OUR ONLY LINK TO RED!
N. NO—
I WILL HELP TOO
NO! YOU'RE HURT!
DON'T WORRY!
WE WON'T LET HIM GET AWAY THAT EASILY!

MEGA PUNCH!
BAM
WATER GUN!
OKAY! WE'VE GOT HIM!
GG
GG
NOW, JUST DRAG HIM DOWN!
FFSSHHH
WAIT! THAT'S A—
OOOOSSSHH
GASTLY!
WELL THAT EXPLAINS THE FOG!

AND NOW THAT WE KNOW WHAT IT REALLY IS--
WE'LL USE GROWLITHE'S BLAST OF HOT PRESSURIZED WIND TO BLOW IT AWAY!
GROWLITHE!
FIRE BLAST!
STAND BACK EVERY-ONE!
WHAT!?
OH, NO!
THERE'S A WILD POKÉMON IN THAT TREE!
LET'S GO!!


WHIIINN
WHAT!?
IT'LL BE BLASTED BY GROWLITHE'S ATTACK!
BOOM
CRASH
NICE WORK, PIKA!
FLOP
TOP
POOOH
WHAT A KID.
JUST TO TRY TO RESCUE THAT CATERPIE IN HIS CONDITION...

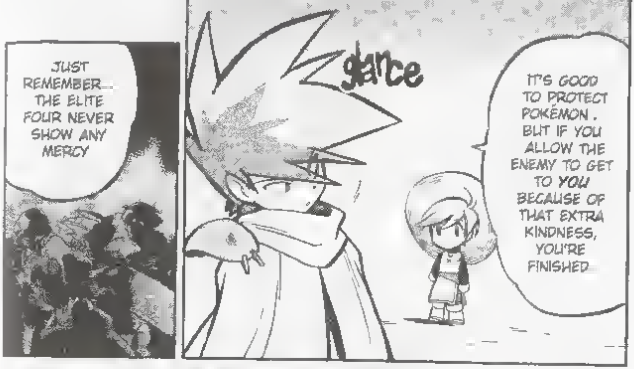

GOOD JOB, AMARILLO.
OR CAN I CALL YOU "YELLOW," TO MAKE IT EASIER FOR ME?
ALTHOUGH YOU SCARCELY HAVE WHAT I'D CALL A "YELLOW STREAK"
I'M BLAINE FROM CINNABAR GYM. NICE TO MEET YOU
UH WHO.
AND I'M BROCK FROM PEWTER GYM.
ALL GOOD FRIENDS OF RED
BUT I DON'T UNDERSTAND
WHY WAS THE ONE WHO TRIED TO STEAL PIKACHU NOW BEING KIDNAPPED HIMSELF?
COULD IT BE THAT SOMEONE DOES NOT WANT THIS SO-CALLED "SUPER NERD" TO BE QUESTIONED?

TO KEEP HIM FROM TALKING? COULD BE
WE'D BETTER HURRY ON RESEARCHING THAT SUIT
THEN I'LL GO TO MT MOON TO INVESTIGATE
IT'S PRETTY CLOSE TO PEWTER CITY.
I WILL RALLY MY FORCES IN CASE OF A BATTLE.
WOOO
THE-- THE FOG!!
GASP
WAIT--THE GASTLY THAT WE THOUGHT WAS BLOWN AWAY-- WAS HIDING IN OUR CAPTIVE! IT'S ATTACKING AGAIN!!
FFFFFFFF
NO! IT'S SPREADING TOO FAST--!

IT'S A GAS POKÉMON! ATTACK THE CORE!
!!
WHO THE--!?
RATHER THAN TRYING TO BLOW AWAY OR SLICE THROUGH THE FOG
IT'S BEST TO ATTACK THE SOURCE OF THE POWER YOU'LL HEAD OFF ANY SECOND ATTACKS
BLUE!

THANK YOU, BLUE YOU SAVED US BUT WHY ARE YOU HERE?
YOU WERE TALKING ABOUT WHOEVER MIGHT BE BEHIND YOUR OPPONENT...
MOST LIKELY, IT WOULD BE AGATHA THE GHOST POKÉMON-WIELDING TRAINER OF THE ELITE FOUR.
THE ELITE FOUR!
THOSE TRAINERS WHO'VE SURPASSED EVEN THE GYM LEADERS? BUT BLUE WHY DO YOU THINK...?
THE ATTACK STRATEGY OF THAT GASTLY WAS PRECISELY THE SAME
AS THE ONE I FOUGHT BEFORE!
DON'T TELL US--
YOU FOUGHT WITH ONE OF THE ELITE FOUR!?

MMM PURELY BY ACCIDENT, THOUGH IT WAS AT THAT ABANDONED POWER PLANT
Dear Red,
This letter is
you respectfully
I HEARD ABOUT RED'S DISAPPEARANCE IN A LETTER FROM MY GRANDFATHER. AT THE TIME, THE IDENTITY OF THE ENEMY WAS STILL A MYSTERY
BUT THAT GASTLY CLINCHES IT. THE ELITE FOUR-- AGATHA IN PARTICULAR-- SEEM TO HAVE A PERSONAL VENDETTA AGAINST MY GRANDFATHER
THAT'S WHY EVER SINCE THAT BATTLE, I'VE STOPPED KEEPING IN TOUCH WITH MY GRANDFATHER ELECTRONICALLY SECURITY PURPOSES
GULP!
...
IF THE ELITE FOUR IS BEHIND ALL THIS, THAT EXPLAINS A LOT OF THINGS... BUT WHY GO TO ALL THIS TROUBLE?
A LETTER OF CHALLENGE... APPARENTLY AMBUSHING RED... USING HIS SCENT TO CAPTURE PIKA.
NOW TRYING TO SILENCE THE ONE LINK TO RED THAT WE'VE CAUGHT--


JUST REMEMBER... THE ELITE FOUR NEVER SHOW ANY MERCY
glance
IT'S GOOD TO PROTECT POKÉMON. BUT IF YOU ALLOW THE ENEMY TO GET TO YOU BECAUSE OF THAT EXTRA KINDNESS, YOU'RE FINISHED

LIKE THAT GASTLY JUST NOW ..I'D HAVE BLOWN IT AWAY, CORE AND ALL, IF NOT FOR THE INTERFERENCE OF YOUR FISHING ROD
KWWOOKN!
YOU HAVE TO LEARN THAT THERE'S A DIFFERENCE BETWEEN KINDNESS AND WEAKNESS

HOLD ON, BLUE!
ARE YOU SAYING THAT THIS KID PROTECTING A POKEMON WAS WRONG!?

I'M NOT JUDGING ANYONE
BUT IF IT WERE RED

HE'D HAVE FOUND SOME WAY TO DEFEAT THE ENEMY COMPLETELY WHILE STILL SAVING THE CATERPIE

IF YOU WANT TO SAVE HIM, THAT'S THE LEVEL OF SKILL AND STRATEGY YOU'LL NEED
FWOOSH
WAIT!
grrk
IF YOU PLAN ON FACING THE ELITE FOUR I'D RECOMMEND YOU TRAIN YOURSELF HARD

TAKE ME WITH YOU!
TO SAVE RED...
I WILL LEARN WHATEVER I HAVE TO!
...HAVE IT YOUR WAY...
THANK YOU!
YELLOW!
THIS IS MY GRAV-ELER YOU CAN TAKE IT ALONG
AND THIS IS MY OMANYTE
THIS'LL BE SAFER THAN TRAVELING WITH JUST THREE POKÉMON AT YOUR SIDE
THANK YOU SO MUCH, MISTY AND BROCK!

FWOOF
FSSH FSH
POINK
WOOZ